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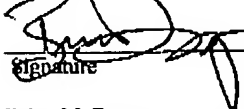
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97,
applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to the
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U.S. Patent No. 6,919,001, Fairbairn et al.

Foreign Art Reference No. JP 10256346 A (Japan)

These references are also listed on the accompanying
Information Disclosure Statement (Form PTO-1449).

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this
patent application is respectfully requested.

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